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- (1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-167520 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,173,392;
- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-223360 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation of the same;
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-084879 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. SHO 60-045855 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. SHO 61-016348 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (6) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. SHO 51-019453 A, together with an English language translation of the same.

The relevance of the documents cited in the International Search Report, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicants further bring to the attention of the Examiner the following documents:

(7) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-295882 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants note that this document is cited on page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application;

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- (8) U.S. Patent Publication No.10/571,531 to TANAKA et al., which was filed on March 10, 2006;
- (9) U.S. Patent Publication No.10/577,133 to OKABAYASHI et al., which was filed on April 10, 2006;
- (10) U.S. Patent Publication No.10/578,314 to TANAKA et al., which was filed on May 4, 2006;
- (11) U.S. Patent Publication No.10/578,299 to OKABAYASHI et al., which was filed on May 4, 2006; and
- (12) U.S. Patent Publication No.10/583,773 to NAKANISHI et al., which was filed on June 21, 2006.

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